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No cases of quarantinable disease have been reported in Cuba during the week. The quarantine against all Mexican ports continues.

*Report from Matanzas—Inspection of vessels.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Nuñez reports, March 15:

Week ended March 13. Bills of health issued to 3 vessels clearing for United States ports in good sanitary condition. No quarantinable diseases were reported in this district during the week.

*Report from Santiago—Inspection of vessels.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Wilson reports, March 9:

Week ended March 6. Bills of health issued to 4 vessels bound for the United States. No quarantinable disease reported.

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*Reports from Guayaquil—Inspection and fumigation of vessels—Plague and yellow fever—Plague and plague measures in interior towns.*

Passed Assistant Surgeon Wightman reports, February 15 and March 1, through Passed Assistant Surgeon Lloyd:

During the 4 weeks ended February 6, bills of health were issued to 7 steamships, of which 5 were fumigated.

Quarantinable diseases were reported in Guayaquil as follows: Week ended January 16, 1 death from yellow fever, 2 deaths from plague; week ended January 23, 8 deaths from plague; week ended January 30, 2 deaths from yellow fever, 4 deaths from plague; week ended February 6, 7 deaths from yellow fever, 3 deaths from plague.

A case of plague occurred in Milagro January 18. The house in which it occurred was torn down and reconstructed and useless material burned. No further cases have been reported.

There have been 3 new cases of plague in Babahoyo, all from the same house. This house was burned.

Tolte, the Indian village reported as plague infected, has remained free from that disease since measures were instituted by the public health service of Ecuador, but 7 cases have occurred in the neighboring village of Nisag, about 5 miles from Tolte. The roofs are being removed from the infected houses and their interior surfaces burned over. As they are built of stone and adobe the damage resulting from this process is but slight.

A few cases of smallpox have appeared in Guamote, a village on the railroad somewhat over 100 miles from Guayaquil.

March 1. During the 2 weeks ended February 20, 4 steamships were fumigated.

As the rainy season progresses plague shows a disposition to increase. It was during the same season last year that the first cases of the disease were discovered. February 25 there were 32 cases in the lazaretto. The total mortality, however, is considerably less than at the corresponding period of last year. For the week ended February 13, 61 deaths from all causes were recorded for Guayaquil, of which number 6 resulted from plague and 4 from yellow fever. For

the week ended February 20, a total of 71 deaths was recorded, 3 being due to plague and 3 to yellow fever. No death from other quarantinable disease was reported.

# GERMANY.

## *Report from Leipzig—Malaria—Measures for the extermination of mosquitoes.*

Consul Warner reports, February 16:

Many cases of malaria having recently occurred in sections of Leipzig adjacent to the four small streams which flow through the city, the city council has decided to adopt stringent measures to exterminate the mosquitoes (*Anopheles*) that spread the disease.

In order that the work of extermination may be thoroughly and systematically carried out, the city council has notified all householders in the infected sections of the city to carefully examine their houses or apartments for mosquitoes and to destroy any that may be found. Every household in the districts concerned has been furnished by the council with a circular, which, in addition to information as to the cause and spread of malaria, contains advice as to the best means of destroying the malaria mosquitoes. Certain dates have been specified between which the houses are to be searched and the mosquitoes destroyed. At the expiration of the time specified, inspectors appointed by the council will visit each house and apartment and make careful examinations to see that the work of exterminating mosquitoes has been properly carried out. Those who fail to comply with the regulations promptly and thoroughly will be subject to a fine.

# ITALY.

## *Report from Naples—Inspection of vessels—Examination of emigrants—Smallpox in Naples.*

Assistant Surgeon Wollenberg reports, March 2:

*Vessels inspected at Naples and Palermo, week ended February 27.*

# NAPLES.

Date.	Name of ship.	Destination.	Steerage passengers inspected and passed.	Pieces of baggage inspected and passed.	Pieces of baggage disinfected.
Feb. 21	Antonio Lopez.....	New York.....	766	30	850
23	Taormina.....	Philadelphia.....	1,794	70	2,100
24	Deutschland.....	New York.....	219	15	380
24	Romanic.....	Boston.....	1,004	90	1,450
25	Principe di Piemonte.....	New York.....	993	50	1,580
25	Italia.....	do.....	508	30	750
26	Neckar.....	do.....	1,704	80	2,450
	Total.....		6,988	365	9,560

# PALERMO.

Feb. 26	Principe di Piemonte.....	New York.....	589	573	350
27	Italia.....	do.....	570	546	319
	Total.....		1,159	1,119	669